HONORABLE BARBARA J. ROTHSTEIN 1 2 3 4 5 6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 8 WSOU INVESTMENTS, LLC d/b/a BRAZOS 9 LICENSING AND DEVELOPMENT, a No. 2:21-cv-00124-BJR Delaware limited liability company, 10 ANSWER TO COUNTERCLAIMS Plaintiff, 11 v. 12 F5 NETWORKS, INC., a Washington 13 Corporation, 14 Defendant. 15 16 Plaintiff and Counter-Defendant WSOU Investments, LLC d/b/a Brazos Licensing and 17 Development ("WSOU") by and through its counsel of record, hereby submits its Answer in 18 response to the allegations set forth in Defendant F5 Networks, Inc.'s ("F5") Counterclaims (Dkt. 19 38) ("Counterclaims") as follows: 20 **GENERAL DENIAL** 21 Unless specifically admitted below, WSOU denies each and every allegation in the 22 Counterclaims. 23 The Parties 24 1. WSOU admits the allegations of paragraph 1 on information and belief. 25 2. WSOU states that it is a Delaware limited liability company, and admits that its PLAINTIFF'S ANSWER TO COUNTERCLAIMS-1 CORR CRONIN LLP 1001 Fourth Avenue, Suite 3900 (CASE NO. 2:21-cv-00124-BJR) Seattle, Washington 98154-1051

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| 1  | principal place of business is located at 605 Austin Avenue, Suite 6, Waco, Texas 76701. Excep                        | pt |
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| 2  | as expressly admitted, WSOU denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 2.  |    |
| 3  | Jurisdiction and Venue  |    |
| 4  | 3. WSOU admits that the Counterclaims purport to arise under the patent laws of th                                    | ıe |
| 5  | United States. WSOU admits that this Court has subject matter jurisdiction over the                                   | ıe |
| 6  | Counterclaims. Except as expressly admitted, WSOU denies the allegations of paragraph 3.                              |    |
| 7  | 4. WSOU admits that it is subject to personal jurisdiction in this Court. Except a                                    | ıs |
| 8  | expressly admitted, WSOU denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 4.   |    |
| 9  | 5. WSOU admits that venue is proper in this District. Except as expressly admitted                                    | d, |
| 10 | WSOU denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 5.   |    |
| 11 | <u>COUNT I</u>  |    |
| 12 | Declaration of Non-Infringement of the '330 Patent  |    |
| 13 | 6. WSOU admits that an actual and justiciable controversy exists between F5 an  | ıd |
| 14 | WSOU. Except as expressly admitted, WSOU denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 6.                             |    |
| 15 | 7. WSOU denies the allegations of paragraph 7.  |    |
| 16 | 8. WSOU admits that F5 purports to seek a declaration of non-infringement of the                                      | ıe |
| 17 | '330 Patent. Except as expressly admitted, WSOU denies the remaining allegations of                                   | of |
| 18 | paragraph 8.  |    |
| 19 | <u>COUNT II</u>   |    |
| 20 | Declaration of Invalidity of the '330 Patent  |    |
| 21 | 9. WSOU admits that an actual and justiciable controversy exists between F5 an  | ıd |
| 22 | WSOU. Except as expressly admitted, WSOU denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 9.                             |    |
| 23 | 10. WSOU denies the allegations of paragraph 10.  |    |
| 24 | 11. WSOU admits that F5 purports to seek a declaration of invalidity of the '33                                       | 0  |
| 25 | Patent. Except as expressly admitted, WSOU denies the remaining allegations of paragraph 11.                          |    |
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1 JURY DEMAND WSOU demands a jury trial on all issues raised by F5's Counterclaims. 2 3 PRAYER FOR RELIEF 4 WSOU hereby incorporates by reference the foregoing paragraphs of this Answer as if 5 fully set forth herein. WSOU denies that F5 is entitled to the relief requested in paragraphs a-g of its Prayer for Relief and denies the allegations therein. 6 7 CORR CRONIN LLP 8 s/Blake Marks-Dias 9 Blake Marks-Dias, WSBA No. 28169 Eric A. Lindberg, WSBA No. 43596 10 1001 Fourth Avenue, Suite 3900 Seattle, WA 98154 11 (206) 625-8600 Phone (206) 625-0900 Fax 12 bmarks-dias@correronin.com elindberg@corrcronin.com 13 Jonathan K. Waldrop (Admitted *pro hac vice*) 14 jwaldrop@kasowitz.com Darcy L. Jones (Admitted pro hac vice) 15 djones@kasowitz.com Marcus A. Barber (Admitted *pro hac vice*) 16 mbarber@kasowitz.com John W. Downing (Admitted *pro hac vice*) 17 jdowning@kasowitz.com Heather S. Kim (Admitted *pro hac vice*) 18 hkim@kasowitz.com Jack Shaw (Admitted *pro hac vice*) 19 jshaw@kasowitz.com ThucMinh Nguyen (Admitted pro hac vice) 20 tnguyen@kasowitz.com KASOWITZ BENSON TORRES LLP 21 333 Twin Dolphin Drive, Suite 200 Redwood Shores, California 94065 22 Telephone: (650) 453-5170 23 Paul G. Williams (Admitted *pro hac vice*) pwilliams@kasowitz.com 24 KASOWITZ BENSON TORRES LLP 1230 Peachtree Street N.E., Suite 2445 25

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on March 19, 2021, I caused the foregoing document to be electronically filed with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

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